

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus having functions for recording contents recorded on a first recording medium onto a second recording medium, said apparatus comprising:

recording means for recording said the contents ~~recorded on said~~ of the first recording medium onto said the second recording medium;

~~checking in means for rendering unusable said contents recorded onto said second recording medium from said first recording medium;~~

~~recording history information~~ storing means for storing information regarding said each track of the contents as recording history information at the time ~~of said~~ the contents ~~recorded on said~~ of the first recording medium ~~being~~ are recorded onto said the second recording medium by said recording means ~~and at the time of said contents recorded onto said second recording medium being rendered unusable;~~

~~wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording means records said contents on said first recording medium onto said second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in means renders unusable said contents recorded onto said second recording medium from said first recording medium~~

means for determining whether a track on the first recording medium was previously recorded or not by said recording means based on said recording history information; and

display means for ~~searching for~~ displaying information regarding ~~said contents stored~~

~~as recording history information by said recording history information storing means at the time of said contents recorded on said first recording medium being recorded onto said second recording medium again by said recording means, and displaying said information a track that was not previously recorded as determined by said determining means, wherein said display means initially indicates the track that was not previously recorded as being selected for recording by said recording means from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.~~

2. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recording history information contains audio recording history information which records the number of times that audio recording has been made for each track of ~~said~~ the first recording medium, title saving information of ~~said~~ the contents, and play list information.

3. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for an information processing apparatus having functions for recording contents recorded on a first recording medium onto a second recording medium, said method comprising:

a recording step for recording ~~said~~ the contents ~~recorded on said~~ of the first recording medium onto ~~said~~ the second recording medium;

~~a checking-in step for rendering unusable said contents recorded onto said second recording medium from said first recording medium;~~

a ~~recording history information~~ storing step for storing information regarding ~~said~~ each track of the contents as recording history information at the time ~~of said~~ the contents ~~recorded on said~~ of the first recording medium ~~being~~ are recorded onto ~~said~~ the second

recording medium by the processing in said recording step; and at the time of said contents recorded onto said second recording medium being rendered unusable,

wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording step records said contents on said first recording medium onto said second recording medium and is incremented when said checking-in step renders unusable said contents recorded onto said second recording medium from said first recording medium; and

a step for determining whether a track on the first recording medium was previously recorded or not to the apparatus based on said recording history information;

a display step for searching for displaying information regarding said contents stored as recording history information by the processing in said recording history information storing step at the time of said contents recorded on said first recording medium being recorded onto said second recording medium again by the processing in said recording step; and displaying said information a track that was not previously recorded to the apparatus, wherein the track that was not previously recorded is initially indicated as being selected for recording in said recording step from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

4. (Currently Amended) A program storing medium recording a computer-readable information processing program for controlling an information processing apparatus having functions for recording contents recorded on a first recording medium onto a second recording medium, said program comprising:

code for a recording control step for controlling recording of ~~said~~ the contents

~~recorded on said of the first recording medium onto said the second recording medium;~~

~~code for a checking in control step for controlling the rendering unusable of said contents recorded onto said second recording medium from said first recording medium;~~

~~code for a recording history information storing control step for controlling storing of information regarding said each track of the contents as recording history information at the time of said the contents ~~recorded on said of the first recording medium being are recorded onto said the second recording medium by the processing in said recording control step; and at the time of said contents recorded onto said second recording medium being rendered unusable by processing in said checking in control step;~~~~

~~wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording control step records said contents on said first recording medium onto said second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in control step renders unusable said contents recorded onto said second recording medium from said first recording medium; and~~

~~code for a step for determining whether a track on the first recording medium was previously recorded or not to the apparatus based on said recording history information;~~

~~code for a display step for searching for displaying information regarding said contents stored as recording history information by the processing in said recording history information storing control step at the time of said contents recorded on said first recording medium being recorded onto said second recording medium again by the processing in said recording control step, and displaying said information a track that was not previously recorded to the apparatus, wherein the track that was not previously recorded is initially~~

indicated as being selected for recording in said recording control step from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

5. (New) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising checking-in means for rendering unusable the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium,

wherein said recording history information storing means is further configured for storing information regarding the contents as recording history information at the time of the contents recorded onto the second recording medium being rendered unusable, and

wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording means records the contents on the first recording medium onto the second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in means renders unusable the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium.

6. (New) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said display means is configured to display indicia indicating manual selection or deselection of tracks for recording by said recording means from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

7. (New) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said display means displays indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.

8. (New) The information processing method according to Claim 3, further comprising a checking in step for rendering unusable the contents recorded onto the second

recording medium from the first recording medium,

wherein said storing step further stores information regarding the contents as recording history information at the time of the contents recorded onto the second recording medium being rendered unusable, and

wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording step records the contents on the first recording medium onto the second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in step renders unusable the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium.

9. (New) The information processing method according to Claim 3, wherein said display step displays indicia indicating manual selection or deselection of tracks for recording in said recording step from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

10. (New) The information processing method according to Claim 3, wherein said display step displays indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.

11. (New) The program according to Claim 4, further comprising code for a checking in control step for controlling the rendering unusable of the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium,

wherein the code for the storing control step further controls storing of information regarding the contents as recording history information at the time of the contents recorded onto the second recording medium being rendered unusable in said checking in control step, and

wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording control step records the contents on the first recording medium onto the second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in control step renders unusable the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium.

12. (New) The program according to Claim 4, wherein said code for the display step displays indicia indicating manual selection or deselection of tracks for recording in said recording control step from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

13. (New) The program according to Claim 4, wherein said code for the display step displays indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.

14. (New) An information processing apparatus for transferring contents from a first recording medium to a second recording medium, said apparatus comprising:

means for determining whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium;

means for selecting a portion or portions of the contents for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

means for recording the selected portion or selected portions of the contents from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

means for storing recorded history information regarding the selected portion or selected portions of the contents recorded from the first recording medium to the second recording medium; and

means for displaying indicia indicating the selected portion or selected portions,  
wherein said recording means records from the first recording medium to the second recording medium the displayed selected portion or selected portions.

15. (New) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 14, wherein said selecting means is configured to allow manual selection or deselection of portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

16. (New) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 14, wherein said selecting means automatically selects portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that do not have recorded history information present in said apparatus.

17. (New) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 14, further comprising means for displaying indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.

18. (New) An information processing method for an information processing apparatus for transferring contents from a first recording medium to a second recording medium, said method comprising:

determining whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium;

selecting a portion or portions of the contents for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

recording the selected portion or selected portions of the contents from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;



storing recorded history information regarding the selected portion or selected portions of the contents recorded from the first recording medium to the second recording medium; and

displaying indicia indicating the selected portion or selected portions,

wherein said recording step records from the first recording medium to the second recording medium the displayed selected portion or selected portions.

19. (New) The information processing method according to Claim 18, wherein said selecting step includes allowing manual selection or deselection of portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

20. (New) The information processing method according to Claim 18, wherein said selecting step includes automatically selecting portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that do not have recorded history information present in said apparatus.

21. (New) The information processing method according to Claim 18, further comprising displaying indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.

22. (New) A program storing medium recording a computer-readable information processing program for controlling an information processing apparatus for transferring contents from a first recording medium to a second recording medium, said program comprising:

code for determining whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium;

code for selecting a portion or portions of the contents for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

code for controlling recording of the selected portion or selected portions of the contents from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

code for controlling storing of recorded history information regarding the selected portion or selected portions of the contents recorded from the first recording medium to the second recording medium; and

code for controlling displaying of indicia indicating the selected portion or selected portions,

wherein said code for controlling recording is configured to control recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium the displayed selected portion or selected portions.

23. (New) The program according to Claim 22, wherein said code for selecting is configured to allow manual selection or deselection of portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

24. (New) The program according to Claim 22, wherein said code for selecting is configured to automatically select portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that do not have recorded history information present in said apparatus.

25. (New) The program according to Claim 22, further comprising code for controlling displaying of indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.